

COMMENTS

Claims 1-4 were the claims before the examiner. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended. Claims 1-4 are all the claims in the case.

Rejections under § 112

The examiner rejected claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2, as indefinite for use of the word “fabrics” in describing a component of yarns. Similarly, claim 4 was rejected as indefinite for the use of the word “fabrics” in describing a component of threads. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended to delete the word “fabrics” and substitute therefor the word “fibers.” The recitations of “fabrics” in these claims arose as a matter of translation error. The relevant phrases in the priority document are properly translated as “yarn made of wool with ca. 10% admixture of textile fibers” (claim 1) and “part of weft and/or warp are made of non-woolen fibers” (claim 4). The specification has also been amended to correct these errors.

It is submitted that these amendments overcome the § 112 rejections.

Rejections under § 103

The examiner rejected claims 1-4 as obvious over German Patent Application DE 100 48 152 to Klar. This rejection is traversed.

The Klar reference discloses a textile floor covering comprised of a wool nonwoven base. The present invention is directed to a double-faced woven cloth carpet, see specification at page 2, lines 12-16, and claim 1 has been amended to

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recite that the cloth layers are woven. The Klar reference does not disclose or suggest the use of two woven cloth layers. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-4 are not obvious in view of the Klar reference. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, applicant submits that the claims as amended present patentable subject matter and allowance is therefore requested.

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